SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1439

By Swann

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Carmen Sutheimer on her receipt of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, each year, 1.6 million Tennessee volunteers give over 137 million hours of community service, contributing \$3.3 billion to Tennessee's economy; and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are the backbone of our communities, and by donating their time and talents to fulfill needs that would otherwise go unmet, they embody the spirit of giving; and

WHEREAS, Carmen Sutheimer of Sevier County is one such exemplary person, who has received the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award in recognition of her laudable commitment to her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sutheimer has been an active Girl Scout volunteer for seven years; in addition to serving as a troop administrator, she stepped into the position of service unit manager in 2018 to support other volunteers and young women throughout Seymour and South Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, during the pandemic, Carmen Sutheimer collaborated with troops to ensure the safety and well-being of every Girl Scout; and

WHEREAS, an advocate for service, she instills confidence in the Girl Scouts she leads and encourages their involvement in volunteer work in the community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sutheimer is a model citizen; her commitment to helping others through volunteerism epitomizes the spirit of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor Carmen Sutheimer for her outstanding community leadership, congratulate her as an esteemed recipient of the Governor's Volunteer Stars Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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